

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER (NATURAL SCIENCES)

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SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

EXAMINATION TYPE	This is an open examination. Applications for this examination will not be accepted on a promotional basis. Career credits will not be granted.
LOCATION	This examination is administered by the State Personnel Board utilizing the Internet.
WHO SHOULD APPLY	Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below may apply and take this examination at any time. Once you have taken the Training and Experience Evaluation examination, you may not reapply for 12 months.
HOW TO APPLY	<p>The Application and the Training and Experience Evaluation will be available on a continuous basis on the Internet. Applicants will respond to questions regarding their ability to meet minimum qualifications as well as provide their contact information and take the Training and Experience Evaluation on the Internet.</p> <p>DO NOT SUBMIT A STATE APPLICATION FORM. THE APPLICATION FORM FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER (NATURAL SCIENCES) IS CONTAINED IN THE INTERNET PROCESS.</p> <p>If you do not have Internet access, there are public access Internet terminals in over 150 California public libraries. Contact your local library for information as to where the nearest Internet terminal is located and the policies related to usage. DO NOT contact the State Personnel Board or the Department of Transportation for this information. The State Personnel Board and the Department of Transportation do not maintain an up-to-date list of library locations. The State Personnel Board Service Center does have Internet terminals that are available for public use at no cost. For more information, contact the Service Center at (916) 653-1705.</p> <p>If you are not familiar with the Internet, you may have a friend or family member assist you. You may apply and take the examination on the Internet by connecting to:</p> <p>http://www.spb.ca.gov/employment/exam_start.htm</p> <p>and following the on-line instructions. Please note that the Internet system will be unavailable on Tuesday's between 7:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Pacific Standard time for processing and maintenance. DO NOT begin the application process on the Internet during this time as your record will NOT be processed. It takes approximately one hour to complete the Application and the Training and Experience Evaluation on the Internet. If you begin the examination before 7:00 a.m., be sure to allow sufficient time to complete the examination.</p>
SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS	If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, call the State Personnel Board Exam Services Team at (916) 653-1502, Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) (916) 654-6336, or via California Relay (Telephone) Service for the deaf or hearing impaired: from TDD phones: 1-(800) 735-2929, for voice phones: 1-(800) 735-2922.
SALARY RANGE	Range A: \$2,902 - \$3,200 Range B: \$2,994 - \$3,465 Range C: \$3,589 - \$4,363
POSITION DESCRIPTION	This is the recruiting, developmental, and first working level. Initially, under supervision, in a learning capacity, incumbent does the less responsible and complex environmental work in connection with environmental planning and research and analysis. As knowledge and skills are developed, the incumbent performs environmental planning, analysis and evaluation work of average difficulty; assists in conducting and preparing environmental studies; prepares reports and documents including environmental impact statements and assessments.
REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO EXAMINATION	NOTE: All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this examination announcement.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

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A Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences with a concentration in animal biology, plant biology, ecology, fisheries management, or wildlife management. (Registration as a senior in a recognized institution will admit applicants to the examination, but they must produce evidence of having fulfilled the requirements for graduation before they will be considered eligible for appointment.

Or II

One year of experience in environmental planning, research, analysis, or evaluation of natural science elements.

And

Equivalent to graduation from college. (Registration as a senior in a recognized institution will admit applicants to the examination, but they must produce evidence of having fulfilled the requirements for graduation before they will be considered eligible for appointment.) (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year for year basis.)

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION

The examination will consist of a Training and Experience evaluation weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum ratio of 70% must be attained.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION - WEIGHTED 100%

Knowledge of:

1. Environmental inventory and an assessment of existing social and natural environmental systems, to be used as a data base upon which to plan and develop transportation systems in conjunction with local, regional, and State plans.

Ability to:

1. Prepare, review and process environmental documents mandated by Federal and State laws and regulations and, as a team member, must assess the consequences to the environmental mitigation measures of these alternatives.
2. Participate in the continuing development of multimodal transportation plans and projects based on statewide, regional, and local needs.
3. Identify research needs in the natural and social sciences as well as the environmental design arts.
4. Perform research within area of expertise as part of a research team.
5. Monitor and evaluate environmental research findings accomplished by out-service personnel and contract consultants.
6. Assist in the development of, and participate in training programs in the environmental area.
7. Participate as a departmental representative on environmental issues at inter or intradepartmental meetings, public or private meetings and hearings, and legislative hearings.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

An open merged eligible list will be established for the California Department of Transportation. The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final scores regardless of test date. Eligibility expires 12 months after it is established. Competitors must then retest to reestablish eligibility.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Veterans' Preference credits will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in this examination and who qualify for and have requested these points through the State Personnel Board. Due to changes in the law, effective January 1, 1996, VETERANS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED PERMANENT CIVIL SERVICE STATUS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE VETERANS' CREDITS.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions concerning this announcement, please contact

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GENERAL INFORMATION

If you meet the requirements stated on this bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The State Personnel Board reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate eligible list in order of final test scores (except as modified by veterans preference credits) regardless of the date of the test and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

Veterans Preference: California law limits the granting of veterans' preference points in open entrance examinations and open non-promotional examinations. Credits in open entrance examinations is granted as follows: 10 points for veterans, widows, or widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100 percent disabled veterans; and 15 points for disabled veterans. Credits in open non-promotional examinations is granted as follows: Five points for veterans; and 10 points for disabled veterans. Directions for applying for veterans' preference are on the Veterans' Preference Application which is available from the State Personnel Board office, written test proctors, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 1559, Sacramento, CA 95807.

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